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1. Talked with Rebert Merriam in the White House indicating that I proposed to that with Representative Charles E. Bennett (D., Fla.) on the <u>Freedom Commission bill</u> (Bennett's bill H. R. 4988). Also indicated to Mr. Merriam that the DCI wished to meet with Merriam in the near future to discuss these bills. Merriam was most anxious to get any views from the Hill so long as securing them did not stir the pot. I shall call him to advise the results and arrange an appointment with the DCI.
3. Paul Berel telephoned to indicate that the House Science and Astronautics Committee will be holding hearings in the near future on the dissemination of scientific information and probably will call a CIA employee who wears a CIA hat in sending out requests for various documents. It was agreed that we should alert the Committee staff to this situation prior to commencement of the hearings.
4. A representation from Air Force L&L visited the Agency, being greeted by General Cabell and subsequently receiving a briefing. Present for the Agency were Messrs. Kirkpatrick, Houston, and Warner. See Memorandum for the Record.

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